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TERMS NEXT 10 YEARS CRUCIAL FOR RUSSIA CPYRGHT_____

Nationalism and the continual absorption of Western ideas will provide a crucial period for the Soviet Union and its control over the East European satellites in the next 10 years, a director of Radio Free Europe, said here today.



J. Nowak

Poland is an excellent example of a place where nationalism is gradually growing and effectively resisting Communist rule, Jan Nowak, chief of Radio Free Europe's Polish desk in Munich, Germany, said.

Nowak told a press conference that he saw no likelihood of an armed uprising in any satellite nation, despite the rising resistance to Russian rule among East European youth. "The people are acutely aware of the results of the uprisings in Warsaw in 1944 and in Hungary in 1956, and will not risk wholesale annihilation," he said.

Nowak was the principal speaker at a luncheon at the Statler Hilton Hotel. The luncheon was sponsored by the Frisco Railroad on behalf of the Radio Free Europe Fund. Nowak is on a national tour for the 1961 fund campaign.

Denying that the program attempted to foment rebellion, Nowak said its purpose was to generate pressure on the Communist leaders without causing bloodshed. "Time is on the side of democracy," he stated. "There are widespread signs of growing unrest—even within the Soviet Union—on the part of intellectuals and youth groups.

"In Poland, farm collectivization has failed, youth indoctrination has been totally ineffective and the church remains strong. Under favorable condition, Stalinism (winter measures) will not be permitted to return."

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